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Two compete for linear accelerator in Cumberland and Robeson counties

RALEIGH – Two competing applications from Cumberland and Robeson counties have been filed with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to acquire a linear accelerator.

A public hearing for this project will be held at 1 p.m. Aug. 18 at the Municipal Building Courtroom, 210 West Blue St., St. Pauls.

The 2008 State Medical Facilities Plan (SMFP) has identified a need for one additional linear accelerator in Service Area 18, which includes Cumberland, Bladen, Robeson and Sampson counties. A summary of the proposals follows:

- Cape Fear Valley Health System proposes to retain its linear accelerator at the Cape Fear Valley Cancer Center that had been scheduled for removal as the result of a prior CON approval to acquire a CyberKnife linear accelerator.
- The Radiation Medical Center proposes to acquire a linear accelerator, a treatment simulator and establish a \$7.4-million outpatient radiation therapy treatment center to be located at 2180 N.C. Highway 20 in St. Pauls.

Anyone may file written comments concerning these proposals. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than July 31 at the following address:

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